

Wii™



INSTRUCTION BOOKLET

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PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE Wii™ OPERATIONS MANUAL COMPLETELY BEFORE USING YOUR Wii HARDWARE SYSTEM, GAME DISC OR ACCESSORY. THIS MANUAL CONTAINS IMPORTANT HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION: READ THE FOLLOWING WARNINGS BEFORE YOU OR YOUR CHILD PLAY VIDEO GAMES.

WARNING – Seizures

- Some people (about 1 in 4000) may have seizures or blackouts triggered by light flashes or patterns, and this may occur while they are watching TV or playing video games, even if they have never had a seizure before.
- Anyone who has had a seizure, loss of awareness, or other symptom linked to an epileptic condition should consult a doctor before playing a video game.
- Parents should watch their children play video games. Stop playing and consult a doctor if you or your child has any of the following symptoms:

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| Convulsions | Eye or muscle twitching | Altered vision |
| Loss of awareness | Involuntary movements | Disorientation |

- To reduce the likelihood of a seizure when playing video games:
 1. Sit or stand as far from the screen as possible.
 2. Play video games on the smallest available television screen.
 3. Do not play if you are tired or need sleep.
 4. Play in a well-lit room.
 5. Take a 10 to 15 minute break every hour.

WARNING – Repetitive Motion Injuries and Eyestrain

Playing video games can make your muscles, joints, skin or eyes hurt. Follow these instructions to avoid problems such as tendinitis, carpal tunnel syndrome, skin irritation or eyestrain:

- Avoid excessive play. Parents should monitor their children for appropriate play.
- Take a 10 to 15 minute break every hour, even if you don't think you need it.
- If your hands, wrists, arms or eyes become tired or sore while playing, or if you feel symptoms such as tingling, numbness, burning or stiffness, stop and rest for several hours before playing again.
- If you continue to have any of the above symptoms or other discomfort during or after play, stop playing and see a doctor.

CAUTION – Motion Sickness

Playing video games can cause motion sickness in some players. If you or your child feel dizzy or nauseous when playing video games, stop playing and rest. Do not drive or engage in other demanding activity until you feel better.

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SYSTEM MENU UPDATE

Please note that when first loading the Game Disc into the Wii console, the Wii will check if you have the latest system menu, and if necessary a Wii system update screen will appear. Press OK to proceed.

When the system menu is updated, unauthorized hardware and/or software modifications may be detected and unauthorized content may be removed causing the immediate or delayed inoperability of your console. Failure to accept the update may render this game, and future games, unplayable. Please note that Nintendo cannot guarantee that unauthorized software or accessories will continue to function with the Wii console after this or future updates of the Wii system menu.



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INTRODUCTION

Skylands need your help, Portal Master! Prepare yourself for an all new adventure with the Skylanders and the SWAP Force. For generations, the SWAP Force protected the Cloudbreak Islands, home to a mystic volcano that erupts every one hundred years to replenish all of the magic in Skylands. During the last eruption, the SWAP Force became caught in the magical blast, which sent them to Earth and gave them the unique ability to swap powers! Now a new evil is threatening the Cloudbreak Islands, and it's up to you, Portal Master, to send the Skylanders and the SWAP Force back into Skylands to save the day!

PORTAL OF POWER

To begin *Skylanders SWAP Force*[™], the *Portal of Power* must first be connected up to your Wii console. With the Wii console powered off, insert the *Portal of Power* into an available USB port. Power on your Wii console and the *Portal of Power* will automatically be ready for use.

It is through the *Portal of Power* that the Skylanders can enter the ancient islands that make up Skylands. Once placed on the *Portal of Power*, the Skylander will come to life and be playable in game.

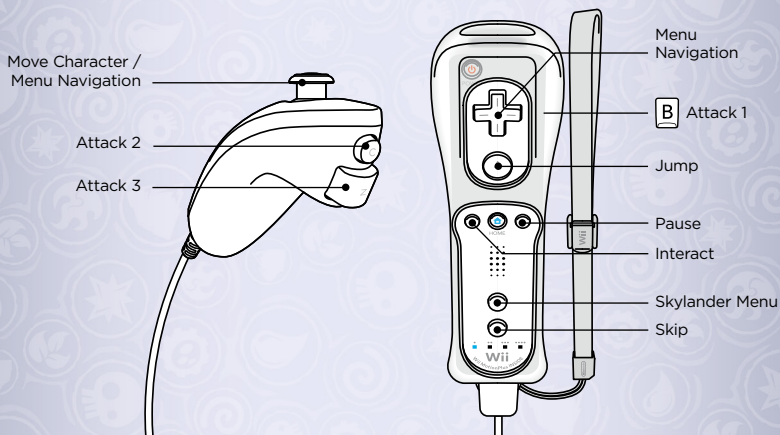
TOY PLACEMENT

You may place up to 3 toys on the *Portal of Power* at once, which includes 2 playable Skylanders (for 2 player mode only) and 1 Magic Item or 1 Location Piece (sold separately).



GAMEPLAY CONTROLS

The *Portal of Power* and at least one Skylander figure are required to start a new profile and to proceed in the first part of the tutorial.



CAUTION: WRIST STRAP USE

Please use the wrist strap to help prevent injury to other people or damage to surrounding objects or the Wii Remote in case you accidentally let go of the Wii Remote during gameplay.

Also remember the following:

- Make sure all players put on the wrist strap properly when it is their turn.
- Do not let go of the Wii Remote during game play.
- Dry your hands if they become moist.
- Allow adequate room around you during gameplay and make sure that all areas you might move into are clear of other people and objects.
- Stay at least three feet from the television.
- Use the Wii Remote Jacket.

MENUS

MENU NAVIGATION

+Control Pad/Control Stick - Navigate menus

A Button - Press to accept

B Button - Press to go back to the previous menu or cancel

MAIN MENU

Story Mode - Begin your adventure in either Single Player or with a friend in Co-op.

Arena Modes - Survive by yourself or with a friend in a variety of challenging stages, or battle against a friend in various arena modes.

Options - View Controls, Adjust Audio Settings (Music, Voice, and Effects), Turn On/Off Subtitles, Adjust Brightness, and View the Credits!

PAUSE MENU

Skylander - View and Manage, your Skylander's Stats, Hats, Unique Quests, and Unique Upgrades on both Top and Bottom Parts of your Skylander.

Portal Master - View your Portal Master Rank as well as the number of stars you have acquired.

Collection - View your collection of Hats, Legendary Treasures, Story Scrolls, Bonus Mission Maps, Charms and Acquired Skylanders.

Options - View your Controller Settings; adjust the game's Difficulty, Adjust Audio Settings, Turn On/Off Subtitles, Adjust the brightness, and view the Online Manual Location.

Level Select - Visit previously completed levels as well as access your Bonus Missions!

Main Menu - Exit the game and return to the Main Menu.

PLAYING THE GAME



- 1. Life Meter** – This green meter displays the amount of Health your Skylander has. If the life meter of any Skylander reaches zero, they must be removed from the *Portal of Power* and replaced with a different Skylander, or you will have to restart the level. If the life meter of a SWAP Force Skylander reaches zero, then both the top and bottom halves must be removed from the *Portal of Power*. Neither half will work in any other SWAP combinations until the next level is reached or the level is restarted.
- 2. Level and Level Meter** – This meter displays the current level of your Skylander. When this meter fills up completely, your Skylander will level up. The maximum level a Skylander can reach is 20. Skylanders from *Skylanders Spyro's Adventure*® and *Skylanders Giants*™ can also reach level 20 while being used in *Skylanders Swap Force*.
- 3. Elemental Symbol** – Displays the elemental symbol of your Skylander. If you are using SWAP Force parts with different elements, it will display both of your elements.
- 4. Elemental Bonus Symbol** – While in one of these areas, if you place a Skylander that has the matching element type on the *Portal of Power*, the Skylander will be more powerful than normal.
- 5. Dual Elemental Gate** – This gate can be unlocked by a SWAP Force Skylander that is of both featured elements. If playing in Co-Op, this gate can be unlocked if both featured elements are represented by one of the Skylanders.
- 6. Elemental Gate** – This gate can be unlocked with a Skylander that is of that element.
- 7. Health Pick Up** – Collecting food pick-ups will restore some of your Life Meter.
- 8. Currency** – Collecting various forms of treasure will allow you to purchase upgrades.

PLAYING THE GAME

SKYLANDER INFO

Press the “-” Button to view and manage each of your Skylanders in the “Skylander Info” Section. The below menus and sub menus can be found under “Skylander Info”:

Stats – Displays your current Skylander’s Stats.

Hats – View which hats your Skylander has collected and equip or remove them here.

Upgrades – View which upgrades your Skylander has acquired on both the Top and Bottom Half.

Quests – Defines your individual Skylander Quests and shows your rank, which is dependent on how many quests you have completed.

Manage – Allows you to reset the progress of your Skylander’s Top or Bottom Half, give a nickname to your Skylander or take ownership.

UPGRADES

Spending coins in the Mega Power Pod located within Woodburrow or in the smaller Power Pods throughout the Cloudbreak Islands will allow your Skylanders to power up their abilities, and even gain new abilities!

ELEMENTAL CLASSES

Each Skylander possesses the power of one of 8 Elemental Classes. The Elemental Classes included are:



Air



Life



Undead



Earth



Fire



Water



Magic



Tech

ELEMENTAL GATES

Throughout Skylands, there are Elemental Gates that only Skylanders of that element can open. Inside are special areas containing new challenges, collectibles, and other rewards for you to discover!

Some elemental gates require two elements to open. Open these doors with either two Skylanders of the matching elements in Co-op, or use a SWAP Force character with a top and bottom that match both of the elements in Single Player mode.

PLAYING THE GAME

SWAP FORCE POWERS

Each SWAP Force Skylander possesses one of 8 SWAP Force Powers. The SWAP Force powers included are:



Dig



Bounce



Teleport



Sneak



Rocket



Speed



Climb



Spin

SWAP FORCE POWER ZONES

Also throughout Skylands, there are SWAP Force Power Zones that only Skylanders of that SWAP Force Power can open. To enter, the bottom half of the Skylander should have the same matching icon as on the Zone, which signifies they have that SWAP Force Power. Once inside a SWAP Force Power Zone, be prepared to face new challenges that are unique for each SWAP Force Power. Earn collectibles, such as Hats, Legendary Items, and Bonus Missions, by bouncing, flying, and racing to name a few new actions, through these SWAP Force Power Zones.

LEVELING UP

Your Skylanders will gain experience as they defeat enemies. As your Skylander levels up, their health will increase as well. The maximum level a Skylander can reach is 20.

WOODBURROW

The town of Woodburrow has been the meeting place of the Ancient Elementals for generations, and is located very close to the magical volcano Mount Cloudbreak. It is here that you may train your Skylanders to become stronger, either by purchasing new upgrades or items for your Skylanders, or by honing their skills with the use of Arena challenges.

Rufus - Rufus is the Village Crier of Woodburrow and knows everything about the village. If you are ever confused about what to do while you're in town, talk to him and he'll show you where to go.

Chieftess - The Chieftess is the only one in the village who can communicate with the Ancient Elementals. She will be invaluable on your quest to protect them from Kaos.

HipBros (Tuk and Gorm) - These brothers aren't always on the friendliest terms, but Gorm protects the only Mega Power Pod in the town, and Tuk runs the only shop in town, so you should get to know them both so you can turn in your currency you have earned on your quest for upgrades.

PLAYING THE GAME

AirDocks – Whenever there's adventuring to be done or journeys to undertake, this is the place to go! Flynn can always be found there keeping a watchful eye on his ship the Dread Yacht, and Tessa can usually be seen there, taking care of her bird Whiskers.

Eon – Go see Eon on his altar by the AirDocks to view your portal master rank, and view your portal master accolades. The more stars you collect, the higher your rank will reach.

Snagglescale's Arena Challenges – Come to the arena to test your and a friend's strength in a variety of modes, including challenge modes like Solo Survival, Team Survival, Rival Survival, and head-to-head modes like Battle and Ring Out.

Legendary Treasure Pedestals – These pedestals are located throughout Woodburrow, but you can only use them when you have a high enough portal master rank. Consult with Eon on his altar to see how you can achieve a higher portal master rank.

Wheellock – Visit Wheellock after you've completed the game to revisit some levels and complete various Score Mode Challenges.

Avril – If speed is more your game than points, you can also visit Avril after you've completed the game to try out some Time Attack Challenges.

TOYS

Skylanders SWAP Force can be played with both *Skylanders Giants* and *Skylanders Spyro's Adventure* Figures as well as the new *Skylanders SWAP Force* characters.

During gameplay you can switch Skylanders at any time. Skylanders can be used on their home *Portal of Power* or as a guest on a friend's *Portal of Power* in both Story Mode and the Arena Modes. All experience points, currency and upgrades are automatically saved to each toy.

CO-OP PLAY

At any time during Story Mode, a second player can join the game by hitting the **A Button** on a second Wii Remote, and placing a Skylander on the *Portal of Power*. To drop out of the game, Player 1 or Player 2 must remove their Skylander from the *Portal of Power* and press the **B Button** on their Wii Remote.

ARENA MODES

In the various Battle Modes, choose from a variety of arenas and have a brawl against your friends. Use items, traps and jump pads to your advantage as you try to become the ultimate Portal Master. Challenge a friend in five different head to head modes:

Solo Survival – Survive multiple stages of enemies of increasing difficulty.

Team Survival – Survive multiple stages of enemies of increasing difficulty with a friend.

Rival Survival – Rank more points than your opponent as you fight enemies.

Battle Arena – Defeat your opponent with your attacks and by triggering hazards in the arena.

Ring Out – Knock your opponent out of the arena with well-timed power hits.

SAVE FEATURES

TOY SAVE FEATURE

While on your home *Portal of Power* the following are saved to your toys:

- Experience Level
- The “Nickname” that you give to your Skylander
- Currency
- Upgraded abilities and Statistics
- The hat your Skylander is wearing
- The Quest ranking of your Skylander

This allows you to take your Skylander to enter another *Portal of Power* and still play with your very own upgraded and personalized collection of Skylanders. While at your friend’s house, your Skylander will continue to remember and will save all of the Currency, Items, Character Quests, and Experience it has earned and collected.

Take your own personalized Skylanders to a friend’s house and help them with their quest...or fight against them in the Arena Modes!

GAME SAVE

Your progress through the objectives of the Story Mode, as well as certain types of collectibles are saved onto your save game slot as opposed to being saved on your toy. These collectibles include Story Scrolls, Hats, Soul Gems, Bonus Missions, and Legendary Treasures.

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